

Madison Highlights and Happenings*

May 13, 2017

Walk-A-Thon

Madison's 13th annual Walk-A-Thon is this coming Friday. All students will be participating in the walk in the early afternoon. After walking for a few minutes, students will enjoy watching the Madison Running Club race. This wellness activity is sponsored by the Madison PTA and enjoyed by all!

Madison PTA Carnival

Friday, May 19!

6:00 – 8:00

Inflatables! Dunk Tank! Madison Blues!

Tattoos! Food! Raffle!

Counselor's Corner

Mrs. Druschel's newsletter link:

<https://www.smores.com/gsh1g-counselor-s-corner>

Western Day and Learning Celebration

Check your child's backpack for the purple information sheet and return form (included here).

Dust off your Western Wear and gear up for a big Western Day and Learning Stampede at Madison! Friday, May 26th will be time for families to join their young Mustangs for some grub and time to celebrate a year full of learning! Families are invited to come to school, join their students for lunch while the students share their data binders. The data binders have evidence of learning growth from fall 2016 to May 2017.

Families may choose to order school lunch (\$3.50 per guest) or bring their own lunch. Families will eat together as their student(s) share their data binder. Once finished with lunch and sharing, students can head to recess. Family members are free to join recess. Some families are planning on starting the weekend early once lunch and sharing is completed. Be sure to sign out in the office when you are leaving campus.

In order to be prepared for the day we will need to know who is attending and their lunch plans. Please complete the form on the next page and return it to Madison by Friday, May 19, 2017.

The format of the event looks like this:

- 10:30 - Fourth grade families enjoy Fourth Grade State Parade
- 10:50 – Fourth graders join families for lunch and learning celebration
- 11:00 – Fifth graders will join families for lunch
- 11:30 – Kindergarten and First graders will join families for lunch
- 12:00 – Second and Third graders will join families for lunch
 - Students will bring data binders to lunch
 - Families can eat at café tables or picnic on the grounds

We are looking forward to seeing you on Western Day and Celebrating our Learning with families.

Please complete the information on the next page and return it to Madison School no later than Friday, May 19, 2017!

We need to know a lot of information from each family in order to prepare for this day. Please complete the form below and return it to Madison no later than Friday, May 19.

1. Student's Name: _____

Student's lunch plan: ____ school lunch ____ bringing lunch

2. Yes, I/we will be attending Madison Western Day and Learning Celebration! I/We will be in attendance at the following time(s):

Circle all that apply.

10:50 – fourth grade lunch

11:00 – fifth grade lunch

11:30 – Kindergarten and first grade lunch

12:00 – second and third grade lunch

3. Guest(s) Lunch Plans -

Each guest may eat school lunch or bring their own. Please indicate your plans below.

Name	School Lunch \$3.50 per guest Select one main dish	Bringing Own Lunch
1.	Hot Dog Fish Sandwich Sun Butter Sandwich	
2.	Hot Dog Fish Sandwich Sun Butter Sandwich	
3.	Hot Dog Fish Sandwich Sun Butter Sandwich	
4.	Hot Dog Fish Sandwich Sun Butter Sandwich	

School Start and End Times Changing for 2017-18 School Year

The Cedar Rapids Community School District will adjust start and end times by five minutes for elementary and middle schools **for the 2017-18 school year**. The revised schedule will provide bus drivers a full hour instead of 50 minutes to complete their elementary routes, ensuring that all students arrive to school in time for breakfast and start the school day with their peers.

“Under the current schedule some students are arriving late for breakfast, making for a rushed start to the day,” explained Val Dolezal, Executive Administrator of Preschool – 8th grade.

“Adjusting the school times slightly is expected to resolve this. In addition, all of our schools will start at 50 minutes after the hour, which is easier for everyone to remember.”

Starting with the 2017-18 school year:

- Elementary schools will **begin classes at 8:50 a.m. and dismiss at 3:50 p.m.** Early dismissal time will be 2:20 p.m.
- Middle schools will **begin classes at 7:50 a.m. and dismiss at 2:50 p.m.** Early dismissal time will be 1:20 p.m.
- High school classes will continue to **begin at 7:50 a.m. and end at 3 p.m.** Early dismissal will be at 1:30 p.m.

The 2017-18 calendar can be found on the District website at www.cr.k12.ia.us

Upcoming PTA Events

Walk-A-Thon and Running Club Races – May 19 – 12:30 - 2:00

Spring-A-Thon Carnival – May 19 – 6:00 – 8:00

PTA Meeting Board Nominations – May 25 – 6:00

Calendar Reminders

May 19 – Walk-A-Thon and Running Club Races– 12:30 – 2:00

May 19 – Spring-A-Thon Carnival – 6:00 – 8:00

May 19 – Early Dismissal – 2:15

May 26 – Western Day and Learning Celebration

May 26 – Early Dismissal

May 29 – No School – Memorial Day

June 1 – Mad-I-Sun Day

June 2 – Last Day of School – Early Dismissal – 2:15

Every Friday is Early Dismissal at 2:15!

Virtual Backpack

Check out the CRCSD Virtual Backpack for information and opportunities for families. Go to the link below to access information on the events/opportunities listed below.

<http://webapps.cr.k12.ia.us/virtualbackpack/FlyerLinks.aspx?school=Madison>

[MercyCare School/Sports Physicals - Event Date: \(5/1/2017 - 8/31/2017\) -](#)

[Try Out Music Lessons This Summer! Flexible Summer Scheduling! - Event Date: \(6/13/2017 - 8/4/2017\)](#)

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[Flood the Run - Event Date: \(8/12/2017 - 8/12/2017\) -](#)

[Preschool and Toddler Music Class! We use crafts, games and activities to learn! - Event Date: \(6/13/2017 - 8/4/2017\) -](#)

[Try Out Dance! Summer Fun! - Event Date: \(6/19/2017 - 7/31/2017\) -](#)

[AYSO Soccer registration for Fall 2017/Spring 2018 - Event Date: \(8/15/2017 - 6/3/2018\) -](#)

[Connection Based Parenting Presentation - Event Date: \(5/18/2017 - 5/18/2017\)](#)

[Creek Camp - Event Date: \(6/12/2017 - 8/11/2017\) -](#)

[Girl Scouts: Summer Adventures Day Camps - Event Date: \(6/12/2017 - 7/27/2017\) -](#)

[Mount Mercy Boy's Basketball Camps - Event Date: \(6/26/2017 - 6/30/2017\) -](#)

***You can access Madison Highlights at <http://madison.cr.k12.ia.us/>**